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C O N F I D E N T I A L BRUSSELS 08113

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, TU, BE, US

SUBJECT: BELGIAN DEMARCHE RE US EMBARGO ON ARMS TO TURKEY

SUMMARY: TURKISH ABMASSADOR IN BRUSSELS HAS SOLICITED BELGIAN  
ASSISTANCE IN APPROACHING USG TO LIFT ARMS EMBARGO TO TURKEY.  
END SUMMARY.

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1. ACCORDING TO FOREIGN MINISTRY CHIEF, WESTERN COUNTRIES SECTION

(RONSE) WHO CALLED US IN SEPT 10, TURKISH AMBASSADOR IN BRUSSELS  
DISLIOGLU CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTRY DIRGEN POLICAL AFFAIRS  
DAVIGNON ON SEPTEMBER 8. DISLIOGLU NOTED THAT WHEN USG HAD FIRST  
IMPOSED ARMS EMBARGO IN FEBRUARY, TURKISH GOVERNMENT HAD NOT  
THOUGHT IT WOULD LAST. NOW  
TURKS REALIZE EMBARGO WILL NOT SOON BE REPEALED. TURKEY'S  
NATO ALLIES HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT  
LOGISTIC SUPPORT TO MAKE UP FOR PREVIOUS US SUPPLIES. TURKEY  
DOES NOT WANT TO CHANGE EITHER ITS ROLE IN NATO OR TO WEAKEN  
THE NATO DEFENSE SYSTEM AND HOPES THAT ITS NATO ALLIES  
RECOGNIZE TURKEY'S DEFENSE AS IMPORTANT TO THEIR OWN SECURITY.  
THEREFORE, TURKEY REQUESTS ITS ALLIES: (A) FOR FURTHER  
ASSISTANCE TO COVER ITS LOGISTIC SUPPLY NEEDS; AND (B) TO MAKE  
GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT DEMARCHES TO THE USG WITH A VIEW TO  
HAVE THE US EXECUTIVE TAKE EFFECTIVE ACTION WITH CONGRESS TO  
REPEAL TO EMBARGO. TURKEY FEARS THAT IF SATISFACTORY RESULTS  
ARE NOT OBTAINED, THAT ITS PUBLIC OPINION WILL FORCE IT TO  
TAKE FURTHER MEASURES AGAINST US BASES IN TURKEY.

2. DAVIGNON INFORMED DISLIOGLU THAT BELGIUM SUPPORTS THE  
TURKISH POSITION AS REGARDS THE HEART OF THE MATTER, THE  
EMBARGO, BUT IS RETICENT ON THE FRAMEWORK IN WHICH THE TURKISH  
REQUEST WAS MADE. BELGIUM HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO ASSIST  
TURKEY LOGISTICALLY DIRECTLY AND ALSO WITHIN BOTH NATO AND THE  
EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES. BELGIUM BELIEVES THAT IT IS NECESSARY  
TO CREATE THE POLITICAL CONDITIONS IN WHICH THE EMBARGO COULD  
BE LIFTED. BELGIAN INFORMATION IS THAT SENATOR EAGLETON  
MIGHT NOW BE FAVORABLY INCLINED IN VIEW OF TURKEY'S REDUCTION  
OF FORCES IN CYPRUS. BELGIUM BELIEVES THAT DENKTASH SHOULD  
MAKE CONCRETE PROPOSALS IN HIS MEETING WITH THE GREEKS IN  
NEW YORK, AND SUPPORTED THE LUNS VISIT TO THE U.S. HOWEVER,  
IT IS NOT FOR BELGIUM TO PASS JUDGEMENT ON THE RELATIONS  
BETWEEN THE U.S. CONGRESS AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH.  
BELGIUM IS PARTICULARLY RETICENT OVER USE OF THE  
TURKISH TACTIC OF FURTHER PRESSURE ON U.S. BASES IN TURKEY.  
THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THIS TACTIC AS NOT THE MOST  
APPROPRIATE WAY FOR TURKEY TO FURTHER ITS CASE WITH THE USG.  
BELGIUM AGREED TO MAKE DEMARCHE TO THE US ON THE EMBARGO AND  
INFORMED DISLIOGLU THAT IT WOULD INFORM THE US OF HIS APPROACH.

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3. RONSE STRESSED TO US THAT BELGIUM SUPPORTS  
THE TURKISH POSITION BECAUSE IT IS JUST.  
BELGIUM IS A PARTNER OF TURKEY IN THE NATO ALLIANCE AND THE  
EMBARGO QUESTION IS A MATTER FOR THE ALLIANCE AS A WHOLE.  
IT IS NOT A BILATERAL MATTER BETWEEN THE US AND TURKEY ALONE.  
FURTHER MORE THE FUTURE ACTION THAT TURKEY PROPOSED TO TAKE  
AGAINST US BASES WOULD AFFECT NOT ONLY THE US, BUT THE  
ALLIANCE AS A WHOLE.

4. IN A SUBSEQUENT RELATED CONVERSATION, FOREIGN MINISTRY  
OFFICIAL CHARACTERIZED RECENT EC-9 APPROACHES TO TURKS AS  
WEAK-MORE AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST THAN THE ACTUAL  
PRESSURE NEEDED TO MAKE THE TURKS TAKE NOTICE.  
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